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U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/829,802 for Cable Operated Pool System Using Buoyant-Slat Pool Covers

Dear Sir:

The applicant in the above-identified patent application is herewith filing a request to revive an abandoned patent application, a supporting declaration and a supplemental response to the Office Action dated May 2, 2002.

It is believed no fee is required for the submission of this petition, since any error is not believed to rest on the part of the applicant.

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Very truly yours,

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